

WEEK ONE

LIVE & LOVE LIKE JESUS

Because Jesus lived and loved in a way that changes everything, we want to live and love like Him!

START HERE!

In one minute or less—what brought you to join our group?

GO TO THE BIBLE

- You might have heard this phrase a few times - we exist to live and love like Jesus. We're going to jump right in to a few passages that show us why we would even want to do that! Take a look at these passages. *Leaders: consider giving each passage to a different person. This allows you to look at more scripture in the time you have!*
 - 1 Peter 2:22-25
 - Titus 3:4-7
 - Colossians 2:13-14
 - Philipians 2:5-8
- What did you hear repeated in these passages? What do they tell us about the character of Jesus?
- We're going to check out a passage in Acts 2 that many consider the beginning of the church. After addressing a large crowd about who Jesus was and why his life and death mattered, Peter answered a very important question. Let's look at Acts 2:36-41.
- What was the question and how did Peter reply?
- Keep reading from Acts 2:42-47.
- Why do you think this passage is considered so important to the church?

TALK ABOUT IT

- What does the phrase 'live and love like Jesus' mean to you?
- From the passages we just looked at - what about Jesus is worth trying to be like?
- Have you ever made a commitment or decision, and then thought, 'I'm in. But now what do I do?' Tell the group about it!
- That's exactly what this group was asking - what do we do?
 - What did Peter tell them to do?
 - And after they were baptized, what did their community look like? (Acts 2:42-47)
- How has your church experience been like or unlike what is explained in Acts 2?
- How could any of us help the church - the whole church, not just Calvary - look like this?

WHAT NOW?

- Take some time to pray for what God will do in and through your group. One way you can do this is to ask your group: 'What do you want God to do in and through our group?' Then, have one person close with a simple prayer offering those dreams to God.
- Finish by making sure your group has each other's contact information so they can continue to communicate with one another.